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Gov. Schwarzenegger Issues Proclamation for Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger issued the following proclamation in observance of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day on December 7, 2008:

PROCLAMATION

December 7, 1941, is a date that our nation will never forget. On that tranquil Sunday, our military base at Pearl Harbor was attacked without warning, killing 2,400 Americans and injuring many more. Countless brave individuals rushed into action and fearlessly defended each other and our country. This day has had a profound impact on the United States and was named by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and remembered by Americans, as "a date which will live in infamy."

Today, we pause to honor those who fought and those who made the ultimate sacrifice that morning. Their courage saved many people, and their heroic stories have inspired Americans for generations.

I ask all Californians to join me in recognizing the service men and women who protected Pearl Harbor and the United States that day, as well as those who are currently serving in our armed forces. We are forever in their debt, and I extend my deepest gratitude for their valiant work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2008, as "Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 5th day of December 2008.

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
Governor of California

ATTEST:

DEBRA BOWEN
Secretary of State

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